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SUBJ: SCHEDULE FOR THE FUNERAL OF THE INDIAN PRESIDENT

1. THE LATEST PROGRAM FOR THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE  
PRESIDENT IS AS FOLLOWS:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

0400 US DELEGATION ARRIVES IS GREETED BY A MINISTER  
OF THE GOI (IDENTITY NOT YET DETERMINED).

0900-100 DELEGATIONS PROCEED INDIVIDUALLY TO  
PRESENT THEIR LAST RESPECT TO THE LATE PRESIDENT AT  
RASHTRAPATI BHAVAN (THE PRESIDENT'S RESIDENCE).

THERE WILL BE NO ORDER OF DELEGATES, A  
CONDOLENCE BOOK WILL BE POSITIONED TO SIGN. THERE  
ARE A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF STAIRS TO CLIMB.  
BUT GOI COULD MAKE SPECIAL ELEVATOR AVAILABLE  
IF NEEDED. PLEASE ADVISE.

(NOTE WREATHS MAY BE LAID. WE WILL HAVE  
WREATH AVAILABLE AND RECOMMEND THAT IT BE USED.)  
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1530 FOREIGN DELEGATIONS ARRIVE AT MOSQUE

1600 FUNERAL AT PARLIAMENT STREET MOSQUE.  
FOREIGN DELEGATION WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN FUNERAL CORTEGE.  
SPECIAL ROUTE WILL BE USED BY  
DELEGATES. DELEGATIONS WILL STAND REPEAT STAND IN

A SPECIAL ENCLOSURE BUT IN NO ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.

GOI COULD NOT NOW CONFIRM IF HEADS OF DELEGATIONS  
WOULD PAY RESPECTS TO WIDOW. PORTOCOL OFFICERS  
WILL BE PRESENT HOWEVER AND WILL GUIDE DELEGATES  
ACCORDINGLY.

1900 THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL RECEIVE  
VISITING DELEGATIONS COLLECTIVELY  
AT DURBAR HALL IN RSTRAPATI BHAVAN.  
THIS IS THE FINAL EVENT OF THE DAY.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

AM CALL CAN BE ARRANGED ON THE PRIME MINISTER.

1530 THE ACTING PRESIDENT AND THE PRIME  
MINISTER WILL ADDRESS A PUBLIC MEETING TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE LATE  
PRESIDENT.

THE HEADS OF DELEGATIONS  
WHO ARE STILL IN DELHI WILL BE  
INVITED TO SPEAK FOR TWO OF THREEE MINUTES.

2. THE ONLY SUBSTANTIAL ADDITION IN THIS SCHEDULE  
FROM THAT REVIEWED REFTEL IS THE PUBLIC MEETING.  
SUCH MEETING WERE CONDUCTED AT THE TIME OF THE  
FUNERAL OF BOTH PRIME MINISTER NEHRU AND  
PRESIDENT LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI. WE BELIEVE A  
MEETING WAS ALSO HELD AFTER THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT  
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ZAKIR HUSSAIN IN 1969. WE HAVE BEEN ASKED  
WHETHER MRS. CARTER WILL ADDRESS THIS MEETING.  
IN VIEW OF THE PRECEDENT WE BELIEVE IT WOULD  
BE APPROPRIATE FOR HER TO DO SO IF SHE WILL  
STILL BE IN DELHI.

3. PROTOCOL TELLS US THAT EACH DELEGATION MAY  
WEAR CLOTHING IT BELIEVES APPROPRIATE. WHITE  
IS THE NORMAL COLOR FOR MOURNING IN INDIA.  
HOWEVER, SICNE DARK CLOTHING IS NORMALLY WORN  
FOR MOURNING IN THE WEST, THIS WILL ALSO BE  
APPROPRIATE.

4. WE HAVE INFORMED MEA WE ARE SURE US  
DELEGATION WILL WISH TO CALL ON THE PRIME  
MINISTER AND INQUIRED WHETHER THIS MIGHT BE  
POSSIBLE ON SUNDAY IF MRS. CARTER IS UNABLE TO  
REMAIN ON MONDAY. WHILE THE GOI PREFERENCE IS  
OBVIOUSLY FOR MONDAY, THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAYS

IT WILL SEEK AN APPOINTMENT AT SOMETIME ON  
SUNDAY IF NECESSARY. WE BELIEVE IT NOW BEST  
THAT WE SEEK AN APPOINTMENT AT A SPECIFIC TIME  
AND THEREFORE REQUEST THE DELEGATIONS ADVICE.  
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